**Fran Lukaszewski** has been a registered nurse for over 50 years. Although she is now retired, she says that she is "still a nurse", by any definition. Her main passion in life is the caregiving of all creatures, large and small, animals as well as people. Although she has had many wonderful experiences, she has not only survived, but actually thrived as she went through many extremely difficult situations. Having learned many lessons, and gained much wisdom from all of these events, she has never felt like a "victim". Instead, she has evolved into an extremely optimistic and caring person. No matter what she has been faced with in life, she has always considered them "learning" experiences.

Fran and her husband lived in the country for seventeen years, where they raised and cared for many species of animals. She has always been a sucker for rescuing stray creatures. Fran has been told that she has a true "gift" for attracting animals to her side. Her optimistic personality has been a powerful factor in the lives of both herself and her husband. They both are so very grateful to be together, as they grow older... facing new challenges in life with hopeful and positive attitudes.

